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C O N F I D E N T I A L NIAMEY 0118

CASABLANCA FOR RCAA

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EAIR, MA, NG

SUBJ: ACTIVITIES OF STANLEY BOOKER

REF: TANANARIVE 0024; MONROVIA 7648; MONROVIA 6413

TO SUMMARIZE WHERE THINGS SEEM TO STAND WITH PIPER AZTEC AIRCRAFT
AND STANLEY BOOKER:

A) PIPER AZTEC TAIL NR. 88 SIERRA FOXTROT ARRIVED HERE
IN SPRING 1975 TO BE TURNED OVER TO RURAL DEVELOPMENT TARA
PROJECT HEADED BY FARLEY WINSON.

B) THIS APPARENTLY SAME AIRCRAFT WHICH STANLEY
BOOKER SNATCHED AWAY FROM BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDINGS IN
TANANARIVE IN NOVEMBER 1974. (TANANARIVE 0024)

C) TARA PROJECT RAN INTO DIFFICULTIES AND FARELY WINSON LEFT NIAMEY
LAST SUMMER.

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D) BOOKER PHONED AMBASSADOR IN JULY AND ASKED EMBASSY
ASSISTANCE IN SELLING AIRCRAFT TO GON OR ANOTHER BUYER OR

ARRANGING HAVE IT FERRIED TO US.

E) EMBASSY TOOK NO ACTION OTHER THAN INFORMING
AMERICAN PILOT CHARLES THOMAS.7.74)9:-) 4-8, .-(34, ABOUT
BOOKER'S REQUEST. THOMAS ALREADY HAD KEYS TO PLANE,
KNEW BOOKER WELL, AND HAD BEEN AUTHORIZED BY BOOKER TO SELL
PLANE OR FLY IT TO EUROPE OR US.

F) THOMAS INFORMED US GON WAS PRESSING NO CLAIM TO
AIRCRAFT WHICH COULD LEAVE HERE WHEN BOOKER HAD DEGJ
ON ITS DISPOSITION.

G) THOMAS HAS NOW LEFT NIGER AND PLANE REMAINS AT AIRPORT.

H) EMBASSY HAS HAD NO DISCUSSION WITH GON ON SUBJECT AND INTENDS
NONE NOR HAVE WE HAD FURTHER CONTACT WITH BOOKER.HECK

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